

DAVID A. LITTLE HOUSE I
1301 Seventh Street
First Ward Neighborhood
Altoona
Blair County
Pennsylvania

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Location: 1301 7th Street

Date of Erection: 1894

Description: The two-and-a-half-story mansard-roofed house has a wood frame and a brick veneer. The 22'-6" x 44'-6" building has a two-story projecting bay and a bracketed cornice. Three dormers punctuate the slate-covered mansard roof. The front door is not original.

History: David A. Little, foreman of the PRR's paint shops, built this house in 1894 just after acquiring the lot from Ezekiel Wherry. Little, who had a wife and five children, lived here (old No. 1309) until his death in 1922.

Sources: Maps: 1894, 1909. City directories. Tax assessment records. Deed books: 58/376, 101/320, 473/403. U.S. Census, 1900.

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